

4. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the determining comprises comparing data of media streams corresponding to a plurality of different media presentations to the search criteria.

5. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the temporal location ~~comprises a presentation~~ is based on a time of at which the media presentation is to be rendered.

6. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the media presentation comprises a composite media stream including a plurality of individual media streams.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of searching streaming media presentations, the method comprising:

receiving a search request including search criteria;

determining a temporal location in a streaming media presentation that corresponds to data of the media presentation that matches the search criteria, wherein the data of the media presentation includes a particular term or element of the streaming media presentation; and

in response to determining the temporal location:

returning an indication of the temporal location to a source of the request;

seeking to the temporal location; and

streaming at least a portion of the media presentation to a client based on the temporal location.

8. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the streaming comprises streaming the media presentation to the client beginning at the temporal location.

9. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the ~~returning~~ streaming comprises ~~displaying the indication~~ streaming at least the portion of the media presentation to a user.

10. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the receiving comprises receiving the request from a client computer via a network.

11. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the receiving comprises receiving the request, at an index server, from a media server via a network.

12. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the determining comprises:

accessing an index corresponding to an individual media data stream of the media presentation;

checking whether the search criteria matches data in the index; and

if the search criteria matches data in the index, then identifying a presentation time of the media presentation at which the search criteria are satisfied.

13. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the search criteria comprises user-specified criteria.

14. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the returning streaming comprises sending the an indication of the temporal location from an index server to a media server that is a source of at least part of the media presentation.

15. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 1.

16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:
a memory device to store a plurality of multimedia data streams corresponding to a streaming multimedia presentation; and
a search engine, coupled to the memory device, to:
receive a search request corresponding to the multimedia presentation,
determine whether any of the multimedia data streams corresponding to the multimedia presentation satisfy search criteria corresponding to the search request, and
return an indication of whether any of the multimedia data streams satisfy the search criteria; and
a streaming component to stream at least a portion of the multimedia presentation in response to determining that a multimedia data stream satisfies search criteria corresponding to the search request.

17. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the memory device comprises a random access memory.

18. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the apparatus comprises a multimedia server and the search engine is to receive the search request from a client computer via a network.

19. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the apparatus comprises a multimedia server and the search engine is to determine whether any of the multimedia data streams satisfy the search criteria by forwarding the search criteria to an index server.

20. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the apparatus comprises a client computer and the search engine is to receive a search request from a user of the client computer.

21. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, further comprising an index storing index data, wherein the apparatus is to determine whether any of the multimedia data streams satisfy the search criteria by comparing, for each of the multimedia data streams, the search criteria to index data for the multimedia data stream.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein each of the multimedia data streams contain data, and wherein the

apparatus is to determine whether any of the multimedia data streams satisfy the search criteria by comparing, for each of the multimedia data streams, the search criteria to the data of the multimedia data stream.

23. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein:

~~the apparatus further comprises a streaming component to manage streaming of the multimedia data streams to a client computer;~~

the search engine is to identify a temporal location of the multimedia data streams that satisfies the search criteria and forward the temporal location to the streaming component; and

the streaming component is to stream the multimedia data streams to the client computer at a beginning temporal location based on the identified temporal location.

24. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the apparatus further comprises a data saving component to receive the multimedia data streams from a multimedia server and store the multimedia data streams in the memory device.

25. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a client computer, coupled to a network, to receive streaming data via the network; and

a multimedia server, coupled to the network, to stream the streaming data to the client computer, the multimedia server including one or more index files

corresponding to the streaming data and a search engine to check whether data in the index files matches search criteria received from the client computer, wherein the multimedia server is to stream at least a portion of the streaming data in response to the streaming data satisfying search criteria received from the client computer.

26. (Original) A system as recited in claim 25, wherein the client computer comprises a demultiplexer to separate the streaming data into individual media streams, and a data saver to save the individual media streams at the client computer.

27. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
a client computer, coupled to a network, to receive streaming data via the network;

a multimedia server, coupled to the network, to stream the streaming data to the client computer; and

an index server, coupled to the network, to store index files corresponding to the streaming data and to check, upon receipt of a search request, whether any portion of the streaming data matches search criteria of the search request based at least in part on the contents of the index files, wherein in response to a portion of the streaming data matching the search criteria, the multimedia server is to stream at least a portion of the streaming data to the client computer.

28. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

identifying a set of search criteria to be compared to data of a streaming media presentation;

transmitting the set of search criteria to a server; and

receiving an indication of whether the search criteria match any portion of the streaming media presentation, wherein the indication comprises streaming of at least a portion of the streaming multimedia presentation in response to the search criteria matching a portion of the streaming media presentation.

29. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 28, wherein the ~~receiving an~~ indication comprises ~~receiving~~ streaming of the streaming media presentation beginning at a temporal location corresponding to a portion of the streaming media presentation that matches the search criteria.

30. (Original) A method as recited in claim 28, wherein the transmitting comprises transmitting the set of search criteria to an index server.

31. (Original) A method as recited in claim 28, further comprising storing the streaming media presentation locally.

32. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 28.

33. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving a plurality of media streams as streaming data from a multimedia server;

storing the received plurality of media streams locally; and

generating a markup document describing how the plurality of media streams are to be presented and referencing the locally stored plurality of media streams; and

selectively playing back at least one of the stored plurality of media streams locally.

34. (Original) A method as recited in claim 33, wherein the receiving the plurality of media streams comprises receiving the plurality of streams as a composite media stream.

35. (Original) A method as recited in claim 33, wherein the generating comprises:

receiving, from the multimedia server, an original markup document referencing the plurality of media streams stored at the multimedia server; and

modifying the original markup document to reference the plurality of locally stored media streams rather than the plurality of media streams stored at the multimedia server.

36. (Original) A method as recited in claim 33, further comprising:
receiving a search request with search criteria; and

accessing the locally stored plurality of media streams to determine whether the search criteria is satisfied by a portion of the plurality of media streams.

37. (Original) A method as recited in claim 33, further comprising:
receiving a plurality of index files corresponding to the plurality of media streams; and
storing the plurality of index files locally.

38. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 33.

39. (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to perform functions including:

receiving a markup document, from a multimedia server, that references a plurality of multimedia data streams at one or more remote media servers, and that identifies how the plurality of multimedia data streams are to be presented at a client computer;

receiving the plurality of multimedia data streams from the one or more remote media servers;

storing the plurality of multimedia data streams locally at the client computer;

selectively playing back at least one of the stored plurality of media streams at the client computer;

modifying the markup document to reference the plurality of locally stored multimedia data streams rather than the plurality of remotely stored multimedia data streams; and

storing the modified markup document.

40. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 39, wherein the computer program further causes the one or more processors to perform functions including subsequently using the modified markup document to present the plurality of locally stored multimedia data streams at the client computer.

41. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 39, wherein the computer program further causes the one or more processors to perform functions including combining the plurality of locally stored multimedia data streams and the modified markup document into a common location.

42. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 39, wherein the computer program further causes the one or more processors to perform functions including:

receiving a plurality of index files corresponding to the plurality of multimedia data streams; and

storing the plurality of index files locally at the client computer.

43. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 42, wherein the computer program further causes the one or more processors to perform functions including:

receiving a search request from a user;

checking the plurality of locally stored index files to determine whether any portion of the locally stored multimedia data streams correspond to the search request; and

indicating to the user whether any portion of the locally stored multimedia data streams correspond to the search request.

44. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 7, wherein the particular term or element of the streaming media presentation includes any one of characters, words, symbols, or groups thereof.

45. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 7, wherein the particular term or element of the streaming media presentation includes digital representations of audio waveforms.

46. (New) A method according to Claim 37, further comprising searching the index files in response to a request during the playing back.

47. (New) A method according to Claim 43, wherein the indicating occurs during the playing back.